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TURKS SEEKING A TRUCE

Edhem Pasha Sends the White Flag to Pharsala.

FIVE-DAY ARMISTICE ASKED

The Decisive Battle of the War Was Expected Today, But Turks Seek Delay-More Tyrkish Reserves Called Into Service-Correspondent Believes the War Over.

London, May 3. - A dispatch from Athen says that advices received there this morn ing from Pharsala say that Edbern Pasha. the commander-in-chief of the Turkish forces in Thessaiy, has sent an officer with . flag of truce to the headquarters of the Greek army at Pharsala requesting an armistice of five days

It was expected that the decisive battle of the war would be fought at Pharsnia

today, as the Greeks were preparing to attack the Turks. A Constantinople dispatch this afternoon says the whole of the Mustafuz, or Land sturm (the second class of reserves), belong Ing to the third army corps, stationed at

Salonica, have been called out for active It is reported that Capt. Rabbett, of King George's staff, telegraphed from

Athens vesterday that all hope of continu ing the war is now virtually abandoned. The Times publishes a disputch from

Lariesa, which says:

"That the war is now practically over is plainly apparent. The Christians who are returning here all say that during the buttle at Milouna the Crown Prince Con stantine was at Karaderae, at the foot of the pass. The Greek army is described as bein sing on that occasion like a discreter ly mob. All discipline was flung to the winds, and the soldiers fired even on their own officers, so terrible was the panic It is impossible to believe that the army at Pharsala can withstand the Turks in a pitched battle."

A dispatch from Phyriada says that 60, 000 troops and sixty gons are concentrated there, but the Greeks are inactive, and their position is weak

KING GEORGE ILL. He Is Said to Be Afflicted With

Heart Trouble. Paris, May 3,-The Figure asserts the King George of Greece is afflicted with heart trouble, which numifests itself in

the recurrence of cardiac spasms His physicians have insisted upon to immediately seeking a change of scene and elimate, either on the Island of Milo or

A dispatch from Constantinople says there is a renewed feeling in influencial girdles there that Turkey has nothing to gain by further prosecution of the war against Greece, and that the powers migut as well intervine

G. A. R. Committees Appointed to Visit the Rappahannock.

Fredericksburg, Va., May 3. - At a largely attended meeting of the Battlefield Park Commission the following committee on entertainment of the Grand Army committee who will be here May 27 to inspect the bat tiefields, was appointed Hon. M. B. Rowe Capt. T. McCracken, Major T. E. Morris, J T. Knight, Mayor W. S. White, Hon, H. F. Crisnessel, Hon. C. C. Taliaferro and H. G. Chesley. The visiting guests will be given a reception at the Exchange Hotel on the plebt of their arrival. They will spenthree days here examining the battlefield The Secretary of War and Assistant Sec

retary, and the grand commander of the Grand Army of the Republic will also be invited to go over the battlefields with the G. A. E. committee, and be the guests of the commission May 27, 28 and 29. The school children of the city will sing

national airs at the decoration of the Union soldiers' graves in the national cemeters here on Decoration Day

BAPTIZED IN THE RIVER.

Four Women Converts Immersed in the Chilly Schuylkili.

Reading, Pa., May 3 - Saturday evening while the rain was descending in torrents and the wind blowing a gale, four young women three married and one single-were led into the chilly Schuyikill at the foot of Franklin street, and baptized by

The haptismal ceremony was conducted by Rev. James Redgraves, under the aus pices of the Holiness Christian Church Second and Washington streets. Several Lundred persons witnessed the externony

The worshipers knelt on the water soaked ground with heads nucovered, the rain beating down on them with full force The wind was so high that many umbrellar were blown inside out, and the spectators were dreuched to the skin-

Death of Henry C. Rogers,

Henry C. Rogers, who was Assistan ioner of Internal Revenue for nearly fifteen years, died on Sunday at Eric, Pa., his residence for nearly half a century, at the age of seventy-three years. Mr. Rogers was one of the most trusted and best-informed officers of the Government in connection with the Trensury Department, his services having been considered almost indispensable by four administra tions. Few men stood higher in the esti mation of the public, or discharged with more kindness or consideration to all classes the exceedingly important duties Imposed upon him. The funeral takes place at Eric on Tuesday.

Marines Sent to the Workhouse Thomas W. Gould, John Duvall, Anthony Donabue and Stephen Harriman, marinstationed at the Washington barracks, were before Judge Kunhall this morning for hav ing indulged in loud and profane lapguage yesterday. All four entered the plea of not guilty, but were fined \$5. Gould forfeited \$5 collateral, and the others, in default, went down for fifteen days.

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CAME ALL THE WAY FROM TEXAS SPEAKER

McKinley on Christian Rules.

Presidential cranks are flocking to this city to interview Mr. McKinley. The latest arrival made his appearance at the White House portals this forenoon. He is Samuel Coleman, a ragged colored man in middle life, whose shoes are hanging to his feet in shreds owing to his long walk.

Coleman left Houston, Tex., on March 10, and has been walking steadily on to Wash ington ever since. As a result he is badly tattered and unkempt. When he appeared at the White House today he introduced uself by stating that he must see the President at once, as he had a vision on the seashore, also a revelation, and was compelled by Heaven to tell Mr. McKinley what to do and how to do it.'

Coleman was arrested and sent to Sanitary Officer Frank's headquarters. When questioned there he said be could only reyeal his mission to the President, otherwis would be "struck dead." porter was introduced to him as Mr. Mc Kinley's confidential adviser, Coleman made a long rambling statement, and said on the rules of Christianity. He was sent to No. 6 station house for

NEW RAINES LAW A FAILURE

Plenty of Drinks to Be Had in New York Sunday.

Conditions Surrounding the Sale Not Materially Different From the Past.

New York, May 3 - New York had its first Sunday experience under the amende Raines law pesterday, and the statement can be made that the conditions surrounding the sale and purchase of liquor were not materially different from those of last

he wanted to drink in New York yesterday as it has been any Sunday for a year past-The threatened wholesale raid by the ponot strictly comply with the letter of the ended Raines law did not take place The selling of liquor was not confined to any particular part of the city, or to any peculiar class of establishments. It was eneral and on a large scale. The man in the tenement district found it as easy to get his beer for 5 cents as the patron of fashiorable hotel found it to get his champagne.

There was a little caution shown by traffickers in liquor between Saturday midnight and 5 a. m. yesterday. Nearly all public drinking places that are Rainer law hotels of the flagrant type closes down between those hours, but hotels of the better class and the restaurants that are accustomed to serve putrons all night

The sandwich maintained its position as a meal with which drinks could be served in all hotels, and in nearly all of them no prefense was made of charging the patron for the sandwich. This was as true on Broadway as it was on the The police made no objection a the service of drinks with sandwiches Many of the clubs that were established after the passage of the Rames law wer

There were sixty-six excise arrests be tween Saturday night and last midnight a comparatively small number.

PRETTY YOUNG WIFE ABDUCTES Fishing With Her Brother When

Two Men Took Her Away. Delaware O . May 3 -- While the pine cen-year-old wife of Charles Hughes, of Thompson township, was fishing Thursday, with her little brother, Harry Priston, two unknown men appeared at the bank of the river, picked her up, carried her to the burgy near by, and drove rapdly away. The brother gave chase, but was unable to find the wife or her ab-

Farmers near by have been scouring the towns have been on the lookout, but the sen have not been found. One is described as large and fleshy, with two front teeth aissing, while the other is smaller. The boy was so excited that he did not notice the kind of clothes the men wore. Mrs Hughes is a pretty woman and a general

COLORED VETERANS MEET.

Their Claims to Office and Party Services Discussed.

A large meeting of colored veterans of the war was held at 613 Fourth street, Saturday night. W. H. Millington pre-Col. George H. Boston declared that the outdie parks of this city were in charge of ex-Confederate soldiers, and that "the humbay Cleveland civil service extension" are keeping them in their po Stewart M. Lewis said that while the

ministration was reinstating old sol liers to positions, he had not heard of a single reinstatement of a colored soldier After considerable discussion a committee of five was appointed to look after the claims of the colored soldiers.

JUMPED UNDER THE WHEELS Two Farmers Stepped From a Train in Front of Another.

Comberland, Md., May 3. - Benjamin Shepperd and Martin Rogers, farmers living across the State line, near Hampshire, W. Va., were killed while on their way to church at Tabb station yesterday.

They had boarded a Baltimore and Ohio train, and upon reaching their destination they jumped off in front of a freight train ng in the opposite direction. Both were horribly mangled.

A Woman Kicked by a Brute.

Margaret Ashton, colored, residing a No. 1915 D street northwest, is in a sc rious condition today, owing to a victous kick in the abdomen administered to ber last night by William, alias Shelton, Kaney colored. The brutal assailant was arrested by Policeman Buckley, of the Third precinct, and is held to await the result of the woman's injuries

Portsmouth Firebug Confesses. Norfolk, Va., May 3 .- J. Edward Cris

mond, a white man, under arrest in Ports mouth, has confessed to participation to the crime of setting fire to Portsmouth property on March 27 last, throwing the blame upon Ellis Jobson and himself.

Mantels, Any Size, \$1.00 Ap

He Said He Would Appoint Committees Under Rule X.

A STRING WAS TIED TO IT

Mr. Simpson's Words Caused the Great White Filibuster to Make a Promise Which He Rendered Ineffective by Referring the Question to the House.

Speaker Reed was hoisted with his own petard this morning. He offered blandly to appoint the committees, after a good deal of badgering by Mr. Simpson, qualifying his willingness to act, according to rule X, if the House desired him to do his duty. It was all a very pretty but diaphanous, game, which did not deceive even the freshest mumber in the House or the latest and greenest visitor to the

Mr. Reed got himself in trouble by his parliamentary magnificence and munifi-cence. By it he kept the flouse in session long after it was the Republicans desire to adjourn Mr. Dingley, who wore a silk hat by the way on this tempestuous rainy day, as an evidence that he desired to spend the afternoon elsewhere than in the Chamber of Inertia, was apparently some what disturbed by the Great White Fili buster's action.

If there was any spectacular feature at all in the assembly or proceedings of the House this morning it was the very large presence of the Democrats. When the gavel fell they were much in the majority the Republicans being seated somewha spreadingly. Their number was increased among the very first things by the swearing in of John B. Shewalter, of the Twentietl Pennsylvania district. Mr. Bailey offered a resolution, "under

leave of Brutus and the rest," that or Monday, May 10, immediately after the approval of the journal, the House resolve itself into committee of the whole to consider the bankruptcy bill from day to day until finally disposed of. Unanimous con ent could not be obtained Mr. Simpson rose to a question of per

sonal privilege, having had read an ex-tract from the Mail and Express, Times, and other papers, in which he was va riously termed a "Jersey 'Skeeter,' "Objector," and as being "pounded to death by the Reed trip-hammer." When the clerk read the word "trip hammer" Simpson said he should have said "tack hammer."

Mr. Dingley and Mr. Cannon were wor ried when Mr. Simpson sent up extract after extract, all at his expense Mr. Simpson went on to defend himself

saying that he had no reason to contend that he was not an obstructor, and he desired that to go out to his constituen in Kansas. It was an attack on hi reputation, and he desired to clear him-Mr. Simpson then got in a state ment that the Speaker was acting arbi trarily by not appointing the committee

Mr. Reed threw down the challenge that

if Mr. Simpson would offer a resolution that the committees be appointed he would put it to the House Mr. Simpson replied that that was an easy thing to say, as he knew what the

result would be on a vote. There was a sharp colloquy between Mr. Simpson and the Speaker House as to whether Mr. Simpson was talking to a question of privilege House, by a vote of 94 to 37 held that Mr. Simpson was not talking to a question

of privilege. "No quorum," shouted Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dingley-I move that when the House adjourn it be to Thursday next. Mr Simpson-A division; I move the point of no quorum

The Republicans shouted "Oh, no," and gave utterance to derisive laughter. The Speaker-The question is on the motion of the gentleman from Maine

Mr. Simpson-I move the point of n Dingley pressed his motion

Mr. Bailey desired to know what disp sition the majority would make of his proposition to have a hearing in con tee of the whole on the bankruptcy bill. Messrs. Sherman, Dingley and others explained that it might come up in the pres-

ent order of being reported by the Committee on Rules. Mr. Bailey agreed to the proposition in this form, with the understanding that there should be an early hearing-

Just here a surprise was sprung on Mr Mr. J. Hamilton Lewis, of Washington oncluded that as the Speaker had offered the opportunity, he would now offer a resolution that the Speaker appoint the committees within five days. "I do this," said, "acting on the suggestion of the

Speaker himself. The Speaker: "There is a motion pending. The motion to adjourn, he meant

Notwithstanding the hectoring challenge of the "Trip Hammer and Tandem Driver," his friends came to his rescue, and insisted on the motion to adjourn Mr. Reed, as promptly as possible, put

promptly.carried. Simpson-Division. On this call there were ayes, 37; noes

Mr. Simpson-I call for the yeas and nays A sufficient number demanding the year and nays, the roll was ordered called, Mr Balley and the whole Democratic nanon

ity joining in the request. Mr. Lewis desired to know if his motion would be considered if the House did not adjourn. The Speaker responded in the The roll call resulted yeas, 128; nays

Mr. Dingley moved to adjourn, but with drew his motion to let Mr. Lewis lutro duce his resolution. He proceeded to ad Mr. Dingley-Will the gentleman-

Mr. Lewis-If the gentleman has any r marks to make, let him first address the hair. (Great laughter and applause.) Mr. Dingley kept his feet and there wa the Speaker gotthe House by ordering every ody, including Mr. Dingley, to sit down.

Mr. Lewis then sent up his resolution to the effect that it was the sease of the House that under rule X the Speaker appoint the tees in accordance with the Consti He then addressed himself to the motion

disclaiming any political reasons for it Continued on Second Page.

WAR ON THE UNITED STATES. Significant Debate in the Germa

Reichstag Over Sugar Duties.

Berlin, May 3 .- In the Reichstag today Count Von Kanitz-Podangen asked the government if, in view of the increased difference in the duties upon German sugar fixed by the new American tariff, it was the intention of Germany to maintain the agreement with the United States, en tered into in 1891. Continuing his remarks Count Von Kanitz advocated a remerse less turiff war against the United States

Freiherr Marschall von Beiberstein, min-ister of foreign affairs, seld in reply that the governments of Germany and the United States had not as yet taken defined positions upon the question, and it would be impossible to foretell what would happen when the resolutions passed by the Ho of Representatives at Washington should become law. The foreign minister then rehearsed the

mercial relations between Germany and the United States, and protested against the lungley bill, which, he said, threat-Saratoga. It was a mistaken conviction which was entertained at Washington that it would

be to the interest of Germany to maintain cordiality of relations with America in any event, and he hoped that there would be a thorough change of views in this re-

tariff war, which he believed would be a sinister mistake. Such a situation, he said, was a serious one, and all Europe would take an interest in its development. The government, he said in conclusion, would decide with a degree of energy founded upon its rights in the cause, and consider the best interests of the empire

JONES HOLDS THE BALANCE

The Nevada Senator Controls the Tariff Bill's Fate.

AT LEAST IN SUBCOMMITTEE

Though Nominally a Populist, He Is an Extreme Protectionist-If His Demands Are Acceded to He Will Probably Vote to Report Bill to Full Committee on Thursday.

Unless Senator Jones, of Nevada, the Populist member of the Finance Committee, who holds the key to the tariff bill situation, shall enlarge his demands, the revised Dingley bill will be reported to the full committee tomorrow. It is still in the hands of the subcommittee who have prepared it, but a first draft of the revise has been printed, and it is hoped that Mr. Jones will not compel the addition of further important amendments

Mr. Jones, although nominally a Popt ist, is at heart an ardent Republican on all questions, except that of finance. is above all, a protectionist. He was one of the small hand of Republicans who, in the Fifty-first Congress, defeated the force He gave great aid to the Republican as he does now, and the day the final vote which killed the force bill was taken up he did not put in an appearance until th roll had commenced, and in the mean-time, no one knew where he was. The case has been the same in the present tariff fight. The subcommittee knew it core to brant his r in a measure, because no finance of can stand under the reorganization about to take place, in which Mr. Jones does not hold the balance of power.

Mr. Jones wants the wool, sugar, frui and portion of the chemical schedule re vised to suit his high protection ideas, and demands the provision anking certain the continuance of the Hawaiian treaty struck out. He wrote out his amendments plainly and placed them before the committee a an ultimatum. Some of them will be grant ed and others will probably not, notably the Hawaiian treaty provision. The treaty will not be abrogated.

Over in the Senate time will be given the Democrats for preparing their opposition and arranging to fight the bill after it shall be called up in the Senate, which, according to the present program, will be done on the the opinion that Mr. Jones will vote with the Republicans to report the bill to the Senate Thursday. After that it must take its

A Republican member of the Finance Cor ce said today that the bill which will be reported will be a surprise to those who are expecting a high protective measure He indicates that material changes in rate have been made all along the line. It is known that provision will not be made for a tax on beer, coffee, or tes, and that the committee will omit the Dingley cla making the law retroactive and the duties collectible from April 1 last.

The members of the Finance Committee profess not to be at all alarmed at th protests of Germany, Spain, Japan, and other governments against the proposed rates on articles imported from those cour tries and their threats of retaliation in cas the bill becomes a law in its present shape These threats are always made, the Sena tors say, when a tariff bill is being formed and are never allowed to influence the Congress. The tariff bill is being formed t suit the people of the United States, not those of other countries. In forming the bill the committee say they have, of course taken into consideration the probability of retaliation in foreign tariffs and have avoided as far as possible giving cause fe such action.

CRAP SHOOTING ON THE FLATS Several Serious Brawls Among th Gamblers Yesterday.

It has been reported to the Fourth pr anct police that crap shooting has again become the Sunday feature on the Potomi fints and steps will be taken to break up the pernicious practice. The dense unde growth forms many covert places where the outdoor gamblers can conceal their games while a picket watches for the ap proach of the police.

Yesterday there were numerous games in progress and several brawls resulted. One of the gamblers, Sonny Washington, Was

Saved Her Drowning Boy.

Reading, Pa., May 3.-Milton Warner aged six years, fell into a mill pond a He was drowning in eight feet of water, when his mother jumped in

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WAR DEPARTMENT SCANDAL

Affects Former Assistant Secretary Joseph B. Doe.

RESULT OF AN INVESTIGATION

tion he had been originally appointed and who interceded for him with the President. It Is Learned That He Took Valuable Quantities of Office Supplies for His Pr.vate Use-He Was Depr.ved of All Authority and Clerk Wh.tton Was Dismissed.

Much gossip was occasioned about the War Department in the closing days of the Cleveland administration concerning ru mors affecting Assistant Secretary Joseph B. Doe. Mr. Doe, it was noticed, had practically surrendered the functions of his of fice, and for several months prior to the change of the administration he did abso lutely nothing in an official capacity.

He was deprived of all authority, was not routine mail, and did not perform any other function of his office. He was not even permitted to issue requisitions. Secretary Lamont assumed all the labor and respon sibility and did all the work that had for merly been done by his assistant, except such as could be intrusted to the ch clerk.

The reasons for this remarkable condition of affairs is just coming to light in then fullness. The extraordinary circumstance were known by the employes and the people who are in the habit of visiting the department, and were commented upon in whispers, but the reasons were not under stood at the time. There was also con siderable comment concerning the unusua act of President McKinley in accepting Doe's resignation before the selection of his successor. It is customary for the as sistant secretaries to hold over from one administration to another, but Doe's resignation was accepted at once, and his desi was vacant until Mr. Meiklejohn, of Ne braska, was appointed. This was due to a hint from Col. Lamont to Secretary Alger Secretary Alger began an investigation of the official conduct of Mr. Doe, but soon discovered that Secretary Lamont had an ticipated him, and the only result of his inquiries was the dismissal of Richard J. Whitton, of Janesville, who was brought to Washington by Doe, and served as his private secretary for two years of Whitton was then transferred

the supply division, and as soon as he had

familiarized bluself with the duties of the

office was promoted to chief of division it

the place of Capt. Thorpe, an old soldie who had held the office for a quarter of a century. There were no charges against Thorpe, and no complaint of his official onduct He was simply forced out by Poe to make a place for Whitton, with an ulterior object that was soon disclosed. Whitton's duties were to buy the supplies of the department and disburse the appropriations, except the pay-roll. Shortly after he came in Whitten endeavored to secure the dismissal of David Cranmer, another old soldier, who had been store seeper for the department for many years and had the custody of the supplies, but the War records division, who had strong ersonal influence with Secretary Lamont About a year ago Assistant Secretar Doe began to issue orders to the division of supplies and other branches of the department that caused considerable gossi; mong the clerks, and to make requi which had not before been purchased from the public funds. He continued to do s during the frequent absences of Secretar; Lamont, until after the election in Noves ber, when that sort of business became

active as to attract general attention, and within a few weeks the gossip reaches the ears of the head of the department Secretary Lamont at once made an inveigation. He called before him the clerk n the supply division, the storekeeper and officials of the Department, and secure statements from them which caused his to require Doe and Whitton to make resti cash, and to surrender to the Departmen in Mr. Lamont's opinion, belonged to the Government. It was disclosed, for ex ample, that in the absence of the Secretar of War, Doe had ordered two bicycles, on for himself and one for Widtton, wideh wer

returned to the Department, and are now stored in the basement. The official photographer of the depart-ment testified that he had made two sets of prints, about one thousand in number from the negatives purchased by Cougres some years ago, from Brady, the cele brated war photographer, and George K Jenvy in charge of the department binder of testified that he had mounted these prints and bound them in handsome Russia learner albums, about 12 by 18 inches in size at the expense of the Government. A K. Johnson, the department carpenter, tes tified that he had been employed for several weeks, under the orders of Assistant Sec retary Doe, in making and packing furni ture and other articles which were shipper

to Janezville, Wis. Among other things he made ten hand some chests, two of cedar, two of ash and six of poplar, for Dos, and two chests of cedar for Whitton, which had been packed with articles unknown and shipped away He had also made a fine mabogany gun case; which cost \$40 for the material alone without considering the labor; twenty-fiv picture frames, and about forty packing enses, which were packed full of articles by Doe's messenger and shipped to Janesville Edward McQualde, foreman of the department stables, testified that he hauled two wagon loads of packing cases and furniture from the department to the express office which were shipped D. H. to Janesville Wis., in an express car obtained by Joseph 8. Moss, a clerk in the department, wh brother is the general manager of the Adams Express Company in this city. Secretary Lamont biniself accidentally

discovered one day in the carpenter's retu a large chest sealed and addressed to Do at Janesville. When opened by his orders it was found to contain a large quantity of fine stationery, sufficient to last Do the rest of his life, which had been packed by the storekeeper on Whitton's requisi-tion. Col. Lamont had the chest opened and its contents restored to the shelves of the om. There was another box caught on the fly, also addressed to Dee, and ready for shipment. When opened by Col. La mont's order It was found to contain six fine United States flags. One of them was made of silk and cost the depart nent \$200 The others were of burting, and cost from \$10 to \$200 coch. They were unpacked and

returned to the shelves. It was also reporced to Secretary Lamont that a quantity of fine furniture, book-

cases, cabinets, and writing desks of mahogany had been shipped to Janesville, and he had an interview with Doc on the subject. What occurred is known only to the two men. Col. Lamont is very so cretive and naturally wished to avoid a scandal during the closing days of the Cleveland administration, so he left no record on this point, and the investigation was not pursued any further. It is under stood, however, that Doe made restitution in cash, and that he would have been dis-

However, from and after this interview Doe was practically idle, so far as official business was concerned. The storekeeper received instructions to fill no requis that were not approved by Secretary La-mont himself, and he did not trust the sup-plies to the protection of the ordinary lock and key. Shortly after Secretary Alger tookcharge Whitton was removed and Capt.

missed in disgrace but for the intervention

of Senator Vilas, upon whose recommenda

Thorpe restored to his old place.

The investigation which led to the un pleasant developments was conducted by Major Garlington, inspector general, and Chief Clerk Kent, who certified to the Secretary of War their findings.

THE LIST OF NOMINATIONS

allowed to issue any orders or sign any but R. F. Patterson to Be Consul General at Calcutta, India.

> Stanton Sickles to Be Secretary of Legation at Madrid-Many Postoffices Filled.

The President sent today the following nominations to the Senate Robert F. Patterson, of Tennessee, to be consul general of the United States at Cal-

cutta, India.

Stanton Sickles, of New York, secretary of the legation of the United States at Madrid.

Alpha E. Hoyt, of Wyoming, to be register of land office at Sundaria, Wyo. Assistant Engineer Claude B. Price, to be passed assistant engineer, Lieut. (junior grade) William E Safford, to be a lieuenant: Lieut. (junior grade) Frederick R. Brainard, to be a licutenant; Ensign Mark L. Bristol, to be a lieutenant (junior

grade); John Hancock Merriam, of Minne ota, to be an assistant paymaster. Postmasters - James W. Hughes, Birming ham, Ala.; W. R. Morton, Harrison, Ark. Tracy R. Thomas, Prescott, Ark.; Nelsot Sleppy, Chino, Cal., Nathaniel Bullock, Eu reka, Cal.; Susan L. Drake, Colusa, Cal. Edwin W. S. Pickett, Fairfield, Conn. Richard Jobes, Suffield, Conn.; Aaron Frost Wardner, Idaho; T. S. Reynolds, Harris burg, III.; Hanson J. De Puc, Lacon, III.; William E. Ludlow, Griggsville, III. Cornelius T. Beekman, Petersburg, III. Taylor Reagan, Plainfield, Ind.; The H. Adams, Vincennes, Ind.; Elmer E. John ston, Rockwell City, Iowa; C. A. Merrill, Nors Springs, Iowa; John Knapp, Parkersburg, Iowa: John B. Vincent, Hutchin son, Kan.: William H. Halsinger, Cotton wood Falls, Kan.: Edward B. Rodick, Bar Harbor, Me.: William C. Hinman, Grent Barrington, Mass.; J. Evarts Worcester, Minns.; F. Shaw, Weymouth Center, Mass. Charles W. Pullen, Milan, Mich.; Miles M Callaghan, Reed City, Mich.; George B. Faxon, Ovid, Mich.; Fannie Vandyke, Alexandria, Minn : Oliver H. Stilson Grand Rapids, Minn : Benjamin M Prentise Betbany, Mo .: William T. Ager, Beaver City, Neb ; James N. Brooks, Rushville John L. Darby. Cranford N. J.; William H. Larison, Madison, N. J. Frank F. Hathaway, Plattsburg, N. Y. Inells, Spring Valley, N. Y.; Anthony P. Hegner, Wyoming, Ohio, George A. Bei-dler, Oklahoma, Okla. T.; A. M. Kettler, Pennett, Pa.: Benjamin A. Waters, Wil-Bamston, Pa.: Frederick Chapman, Wood dock, Vt.: John M. Griffin, Fredericks burg, Va., Sameul M. Yost, Staunton, Va.; ad Frank Eugene Parker, Rhinelander,

Stanton Sickles is a son of Gen. Danie.

E. Sickles. Robert F. Patterson, of Tennessee, was for sixteen years collector of internal reve ue for a Tennessee district.

ROGUES STILL BUSY.

Thefts Reported to the Police With in Twenty-four Hours.

A case of highway robbery and anothe of pocket-picking were reported to Inspector Hellinberger today. While William L. Kane, residing at No. 1216 Maryland ave nue southwest, was passing through the Smithsonian grounds between 12 and 1 clock yesterday morning, he was apthem asked for a chew of tobacco, which

The high waymen then followed Mr. Kan and when the entrance of an alley or Eleventh street below Maryland avenuad been reached, the men stale hind Kane and dealt him a stunning blow knocking him down. They then relieved him of \$2.50 and a new necktie.

A pickpocket stole from Margaret Brooks of No. 911 Eighth street southeast, her purse containing \$1.77 and a bank check while she was in an auction house on D

John Sites Goes to Jull.

John Sites, who was indicted January 4 1897, for the murder of Conrad Plock in August last, and who pleaded guilty to manslaughter, was sentenced by Judge Bradley today to imprisonment in the District fail for a period of eight months and to pay a fine of \$50. The blow which caus ed the victim's death was struck during at altercation at Heurich's brewery on th date named, but the man did not die until December 3 following. They were both employes of the brewing company and became involved in a quarrel and subsequent fight.

Broken Heads on Sunday.

The victims of two Sunday fights were treated at the Emergency Hospital yesterday for broken heads, the weapons in each case being bricks and the victims colored men. Robert Thomas was knocked senseless in a free fight at Arlington and did not regain consciousness for several hours. Robert Cook, of No. 3314 Q street. was strock with a brick and seriously injured by his brother Charlie during a

Death of Judge Hammond. Baltimore, May 3-Judge Ormond Hammond, assistant treasurer of the United States at the Baltimore custom house, died last night.

Mantels, Oak, Very Stylish, 85 apiece. Libbey & Co., 6th and N. Y. ave.

The Total Loss Three and a Half Millions.

ONE CENT.

FIREMEN UNDER THE DEBRIS

Jenkins' Wholesale Grocery and Horne's Mammoth Dry Goods Store Totally Destroyed-Many Other Buildings Damaged - Firemen's Stubborn Fight Against Odds.

Pittsburg, May 3. - This city was visited by one of the worst conflagrations in its history last night. The loss will probably reach \$3,500,000. One fireman is known to have been buried under the falling wails, two others are missing and several other persons were burt more or less seriously,

The fire started in the elevator shaft of T. C. Jenkins' large wholesale gracery on Liberty avenue From there the finner swept across Penn avenue and destroyed the mammoth retail dry goods establish ment of Joseph Horne & Co. These and the Horneoffice buildings were the only structures totally burned out, but many other nugnificent buildings were partially de-moleched. The entire fire department of Pittsburg and several engines from Allegheny were unable for a long time to make any impression on the confingration. The heat was so intense that the hose was melted and several fire engines were aliestroyed as they were caught by the

spreading flames. When the rear wall of Jenkins' store fell, Fireman George W. Acheson was aught and buried, while several other firemen were badly hurt by the falling deta The fire is now under control. The leases are as follows:

T. C. Jenkins, wholesale grocery, totally destroyed; stock valued at \$400,000; in surance, \$150,000; building valued at \$100,000; insurance, about \$50,000. Joseph Horne & Co., retail dry goods, to-tally destroyed; stock and building val-

valued at \$100,000; insurance, \$50,000. Methodist Book Concern building, valued at \$125,000; badly damaged; loss about Phipps building, valued at \$100,000;

Horne office building, totally destroyed;

ued at \$1,000,000; fully insured.

slightly damaged, loss about \$5,000; insured. L. H. Voight, wholesale produce, Librty street, less estimated at \$2,000; in-S. Huck, tobacco, Liberty street, destroyed, hes, \$8,000; parrly insured.
J. H. Hall, Jr., & Company, Liberty

street, wholesale grocers, destroyed: loss, \$10,000; insured. Scobie & Farker, farm implements, damaged: loss, \$3,000; insured.

Onkdole Manufacturing Company, dan aged by water to the extent of \$3,000; plements, rotally destroyed loss about

A number of other business bouses and

ranging from \$2,000 to \$10,000, the aggre gate of which it is impossible to give at The body of George W. Acheson has been recovered. Those missing have not

\$25,000; partially insured.

yet been accounted for NO MORE COURTS-MARTIAL.

Officers Ordered Home at the Con clusion of Romeyn's Trial. Atlanta, Ga., May 3.-The military in vestigation of the scandals which have ude the garrison at Fort McPherson the talk of army circles, is off. An order was received from the War Department by Col Guenther, president of the court-martial

which has been trying Capt. Romeyn dur-ing the last two weeks, dissolving that body at the conclusion of its present de This order, following so closely upon the instructions requiring un indefinite sitting of the court, is said on good authority to be the result of an earnest and urgent re quest made by the thirteen officers who com prise the court. The story is that they are thoroughly disgusted and distensioned with the work they have already had to do here, and made representations which justified

them in asking to be ordered to return to their various posts. These representations are to the effect that the scandals which now trouble the barracks are not such as could properly come rithin the scope of a military inquiry. other words, the officers do not want to court-mar tal women. In view of the latest order, the fate of Lieut. O'Brien, Lieut. Bamford and others against whom charges have been made, is a matter of specula-No one telleves, however, that the War Department will let matters rest the way they are today.

AMBASSADOR HAY PRESENTED. Received by Queen Victoria by Spe-

cial Arrangement. London. May 3. - A cabinet council was held at Windsor Castle today in the presence of the Queen. Lord Salishury and the principal members of the ministry were in attendance. By special arrangement, Col. John Hay, the new United States ombassador, and Mrs. Hay, were received by the Queen upon presentation by Lord Salis-

bury. Senhor de Soveral, Portugues of foreign affairs, and Lo Feng Lu, the new also presented to Her Majesty.

Dragged From James Creek Canal. The foul waters of James' Creek Canal ame very near claiming another victim about 3:20 o'clock this morning. William Robinson was proceeding in the direction of the orderiferous stream, between M and N streets routhwest, when he walked overboard. His cries were heard by Policemen Stewart and Anderson, who rescued Robinson with difficulty, and sent him to

his home, No. 1268 First street south west. Wisconsin Sugar Company Assigns, Milwaukee, Wis., May 3. - The Wisconsin Beet Sugar Company, of Menoninee Falls, made a voluntary assignment late Satur day to Herman Numermacher. The assets of the company amount to \$200,000, and the assignee filed a bond for that amount. The company was organized nearly tw ago with a capital of \$150,000. It is the pioneer sugar factory in Wiscon-

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